ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An information playback apparatus according to one aspect of the present invention has a first acquisition unit configured to acquire contents from an information storage medium, a second acquisition unit configured to acquire expansion information from at least one of the information storage medium and an external apparatus via a communication line, a storage unit configured to store the expansion information acquired by the second acquisition unit in accordance with the type of information, and a playback unit configured to play back the contents acquired by the first acquisition unit, and to play back the expansion information stored in the storage unit in synchronism with playback of the contents.